VICTIM/WITNESS SECTION VICTIM & SURVIVOR RIGHTS AND SERVICES PROGRAM - ADULT

Program Description

The Victim and Survivor Rights and Services program provides funds to the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) to provide direct victim services in a correctional setting. The program examines and responds to the various needs of crime victims and ensures that inmates, parolees, correctional staff, and the general public recognize and understand the impact of crime on victims. As the number of inmates and parolees under CDCR supervision increases, the number of victims requiring services has also increased. The rapid rise in inmate and parolee populations is also reflected in the number of victims requesting services

Eligibility

The California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation is the only agency eligible to apply.

Authorized By

California State Legislature and the Office of Emergency Services

Fund Source and Amount

Federal Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) - \$ 96,900

Grant Award Period

October 1, 2008 to September 30, 2009

Next Competitive/Non Competitive Application Due Date

Non Competitive - September 2008

Additional Program Information

Upon request of a victim, the Victim and Survivor Rights and Services program will: provide notification of parole dates, parole hearings, escapes, and deaths for inmates and parolees under the jurisdiction of CDCR; assist victims who request special conditions of parole; intervene on behalf of victims being threatened or harassed by inmates or parolees; assist sexual assault victims in obtaining HIV test results; provide referrals to local victim service providers; and coordinate and implement public awareness activities that describe, provide, and refer victims to direct services.

How Do I Get More Information?

This program is administered by the Victim/Witness Section in the Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence and Victim/Witness Branch of OES at (916) 324-9136.